## DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY



HEADQUARTERS, 15TH REGIMENTAL SIGNAL BRIGADE FORT GORDON, GEORGIA 30905-5729

REPLY TO ATTENTION OF:

ATZH-TB (310-2d)

26 July 2005

MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Policy Letter 27: Brigade GSA Vehicle Procedures

## 1. References:

- a. AR 58-1, Management, Acquisition, and Use of Motor Vehicles, dtd 15 Mar
   99.
- b. Fort Gordon Installation Transportation Motor Pool Standard Operation Procedures (SOP) of General Services Administration (GSA) vehicles.
- This policy letter establishes uniform procedures for the usage of GSA vehicles.
- This policy letter applies to all personnel assigned or attached to 15<sup>th</sup> Regimental Signal Brigade.

## 4. General:

- a. Unit commanders, staff sections, and Brigade Transportation Coordinators are responsible for the safe operation, maintenance, and utilization of the Brigade's assigned vehicles and will-
  - (1) Ensure that all vehicles are dispatched by the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month.
- (2) Ensure that all vehicles dispatched to their organizations are used only for official purposes, as defined in AR 58-1, and that the vehicle keys and credit cards are controlled at all times in accordance with (IAW) local Physical Security Plan.
- (3) Ensure that preventive maintenance procedures are followed. Vehicles are to be returned to the Installation Transportation Motor Pool (ITMP) for scheduled service and maintenance on the date specified by motor pool official.
- (4) Take appropriate disciplinary action when drivers abuse/misuse vehicles.

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(5) Ensure vehicles are parked in approved parking areas and are secured when they are not being used.

- (6) Ensure that accident reporting procedures are adhered to IAW Installation Transportation Motor Pool policy.
- b. A report is submitted on each vehicle's mileage. Vehicles with less than 300 miles used for the month can lead to removal of vehicle from the brigade.

## 5. Procedures:

- a. The vehicle operator is responsible for his/her vehicle, to include its care, maintenance, and safe operation. He/she must ensure the government's vehicle is safeguarded and protected while it is in his/her possession. Each operator will:
- (1) Conduct a before and after inspection of the vehicle using the 15<sup>th</sup> Signal Brigade Vehicle Check Sheet. (See encl 1) You must annotate any discrepancies you find with the vehicle prior to departure.
- (2) Be responsible for their vehicle, to include the passenger and cargo, until commitment is officially terminated. Unless specifically authorized, you cannot drive a GSA vehicle more than 100-mile radius from Fort Gordon.
- (3) Ensure the vehicle is secured whenever it is left unattended, windows rolled up, keys removed from ignition, and doors locked.
- (4) Park vehicle in authorized areas only. The following areas are restricted: Snack bars, clubs, commissary, and main exchange parking lots. Also, government vehicles are not authorized to be parked in residential areas.
  - (5) Adhere to good driving practices such as:
    - (a) Obeying all traffic signs and speed limits.
    - (b) Maintaining proper following distance.
    - (c) Obeying rules of the road, to include local traffic laws.
    - (d) Driving defensively.
    - (e) Not operating a cellular phone while driving.
    - (f) Not smoking in the GSA vehicle.
    - (g) Not wearing earphones while driving, IAW AR 385-55, para. 2-6.

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- (h) Wearing seat belt at all times and ensuring that passengers do the same, IAW AR 385-55, para 2-16.
  - (i) Keep head gear on while driving.
  - (j) Not eating or drinking while driving.
- (6) Take immediate action to notify the Military Police and Transportation Motor Pool of all accidents. Record all information on SF 91 (Operator's Report of Motor Vehicle Accident, encl 2) and DD Form 518 (Accident Identification Card, encl 3). Accident instructions are provided in the dispatch logbook.
- (7) Notify the ITMP (791-3196/2338) for on-post recovery. For off-post assistance with breakdown and recovery, contact the Regional Maintenance Control Center (RMCC), at 1-888-622-6344 for service authorization in excess of \$50.00. Drivers are authorized to pay up to \$50.00 on the credit card for emergency service/repair. Wait in a safe area until help arrives.
- (8) The operator is responsible for ensuring that the vehicle is returned clean. A vehicle washing and cleaning facility is provided by the ITMP. Wash brushes, cleaning supplies, and industrial vacuum cleaner are available at the ITMP during operational hours.
- 6. The unauthorized or willful misuse of an Army-owned or controlled motor vehicle may be cause for disciplinary actions under the Uniform Code of Military Justice or adverse administrative action.

3 Encls

1. 15th RSB Vehicle Checklist

2. SF 91

3. DD 518

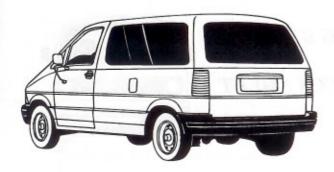
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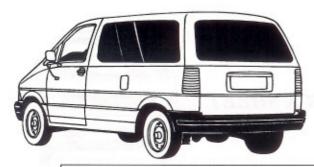
# 15<sup>TH</sup> REG SIG BDE VEHICLE CHECK SHEET



ADDITIONAL REMARKS:

NOTE: SOLDIERS WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR NOTING ANY DISCREPANCIES AND NOTIFYING THE XO/S4 . IF YOU FAIL TO CHECK YOUR VEHICLE AND THE NEXT DRIVER FINDS SOMETHING WRONG, YOU COULD BE HELD RESPONSIBLE.

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- Maintaining proper following distance
- Obeying rules to the road, to include local traffic laws
- Driving defensively
- · Not operating a cellular phone while driving
- · Not smoking in the GSA vehicle
- Not wearing earphones while driving, IAW AR 385-55, para 2-6
- Keep headgear on while driving
- · Not eating or drinking while driving

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